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THE GUN EXPLODED

Narrow Escape of the Members of the Ordnance Board.

GEN. NELSON A. MILES ALSO PRESENT

The Men Standing Around a Dudley Pneumatic Gun at Glen Cove When It Burst into Fragments—One Spectator Inj.-red.

Glen Cove, L. I., April 14.—During a test of the new Dudley powder pneumatic gun yesterday afternoon the piece exploded and Gen. Nelson A. Miles and members of the board of ordnance had a narrow escape from death, or at least severe injury. A spectator named Joseph Rome was hit by a piece of metal and barely escaped with his life. The first test had resulted satisfactorily and for the second experiment a target, composed of a large red, white and blue flag was put up against a sand bank about 2,100 yards distant from the gun. Two of the dummy missiles had been fired, when, on the third attempt to discharge the gun it exploded, scattering broken fragments of metal in every direction. The officers who were investigating the merits of the gun were standing in a semi-circle behind the piece when it exploded, and it is marvelous that none of them were injured. Mr. Rome was hit on the side of the neck by a flying piece of metal and an ugly wound resulted. The explosion put an end to the tests, but another exhibition of the merits of the new gun will be given as soon as the piece can be repaired. The accident is supposed to have been due to the shattering of the wooden butt of the dummy projectile and a consequent choking of the gun. The compressed air had to escape, and the gun burst along the lines of the least resistance.

FAVORS A GREATER NEW YORK.

Certain Provisions of the Present Bill Faulty the Reason for Strong's Veto.

Albany, April 14.—The veto message of Mayor Strong of New York city on the Lexow Greater New York bill was read in the senate last night, when it was for the first time made public. As soon as it was read the message was, on Senator Lexow's motion, laid on the table to be printed. The veto message of Mayor Wurster of Brooklyn and the message of approval of Mayor Gleason of Long Island City on the same bill, which have already been published, were also read and tabled for printing. The bill itself was laid on the table and will next come up when a motion is made to pass the bill over the vetoes of the mayors. Mayor Siron says in his veto that he is heartily in favor of the consolidation of the territory proposed, and that consolidation is sure to come, but the provisions of the present bill he considers faulty in certain particulars. It is the opinion of a number of senators and assemblymen that the bill will be passed over the veto.

SCHAEFER DEFEATS GARNIER.

First Game of the Second Series of the Billiard Tournament at Boston.

Boston, April 14.—The first game in the second series of the big billiard championship tournament was played last night in Bumstead hall, the contestants being Jacob Schaefer, the wizard of the cue, and Albert Garnier, the French champion. The game was cushion carrom, 300 points. The hall was comfortably filled with spectators and much interest was manifested in the different plays, as the Frenchman is noted as an adept at this style of game. Both men played very cautiously from their first to their last shot. Schaefer won the game in the sixty-ninth inning with a run of thirty-one points. The final score was Schaefer, 300; Garnier, 222. The highest runs were: Schaefer, 39; Garnier, 34, and the averages were Schaefer, 5.450; Garnier, 4.255. The referee was Fred Eames.

EXCITEMENT HIGH AT MADRID.

The Government's Action in Stealing the Elections Threatens Trouble.

Madrid, April 14.—Ex-Prime Minister Sagasta contends that the elections in Madrid must be nullified. All the papers and all the politicians, except the ministerialists, concur in this opinion. The excitement and indignation caused by the action of the government in virtually stealing the elections continue to increase, and there are grave apprehensions that unless other elections are ordered to be held there will be serious trouble, though every precaution has been taken to guard against an outbreak. It transpires that the report of the election in Bilbao de Iglesias, the leader of the Spanish socialists, was erroneous. Not a single socialist has been re-turned.

McKeever Given the Fight.

Maspeth, L. I., April 14.—The twenty-round bout between Griff and McKeever last night before the Empire Athletic club was stubbornly fought to the last round when McKeever was given the decision. This was the Australian's first actual defeat in this country where his wonderful skill as a defensive boxer gained him a great

DARING HIGHWAYMEN.

Two Attempts at Hold-Up in Paterson—Victims Dodge Bullets.

Paterson, N. J., April 14.—A series of hold-ups by three highwaymen startled the residents of the east side last night. Shortly after 10 o'clock W. O. Fayerweather was stopped by three men, who demanded money. Fayerweather ran, hoping to escape. The highwaymen followed, however, firing seven shots at him. He succeeded in gaining the residence of Mrs. Robert Barbour and the men disappeared. Twenty minutes later David Dringer, twenty-four years old, of No. 151 Harrison street, was stopped on Auburn street by two men and commanded to hold up his hands. Dringer knocked the nearest man down and then took to his heels. Six shots were fired at him, the last one lodging in his left leg. He fell and the men ran away. Patrol Gibson heard the shots. He gave chase and captured "Mike" Hogan, an ex-convict. The others escaped, but are known to the police. A general alarm was sent out.

AMERICAN SCHOONER HELD.

The George Whitford Seized on the High Seas by Colombian Gunboat.

Panama, April 14.—The correspondent of the Star and Herald at Colon sends the following to that journal under date of April 1: "On March 31 the Colombian gunboat Gen. Cordova left this port for Porto Bello, where, according to rumor, there was a vessel which had contravened the laws of the republic. About 9 p.m. of the same day a vessel anchored in this port, the Gen. Cordova also anchoring at the same time. Last night I had an interview with the captain of the sailing vessel, and he gives his name as Harris and that of the vessel as George Whitford. He showed me his papers, which are made out on stamped paper, signed by a Mr. Nieto. The papers are dated March 31, and showed that she sailed on that date from Cartagena with 50,000 cocoanuts and ten tons of ivory nuts as ballast. Capt. Harris informed me that the gunboat overhauled him about seven or eight miles from the coast and immediately ordered him to return to Colon, but Capt. Harris told him that he could not return, as he was dispatched from Porto Bello to Cartagena, and accordingly showed the Whitford papers to the captain of the Cordova, who refused to examine them, saying that he should return to Colon. As Captain Harris wanted to know the cause of such proceedings and also wanted to proceed on his voyage he said that he would allow the captain of Cordova to search his vessel; but he was intimidated and given fifteen minutes to decide what he would do, and if he did not comply with the instructions given his ship would be sunk. With such a menace he had to obey and return. On arriving at Colon a guard of eight soldiers was put on board. The guard, however, was removed on April 2, after the American consul had notified the governor that unless the vessel was immediately released an American man-of-war would be asked for.

SECRETARY MOORE'S REPORT.

Statistics of the Missionary Society of Connecticut for the Year 1895.

Hartford, April 14.—The annual report of the Missionary Society of Connecticut and Fund for Ministers, as prepared by the secretary, Rev. W. H. Moore, shows the receipts for 1895 to have been \$8,237, an increase of \$1,518 over the previous year. One hundred and sixty-one of the 318 churches made contributions to the society and there were legacies from twenty-two churches. Fifty-two churches were aided by grants in 1895. The average salary paid to their pastors by these churches was \$666. Nine general missionaries were employed, one among Daves, one among Germans, one among Italians and six among Swedes. As fruits of this work, among foreigners, there are now eighteen churches, one German, two Danish and fifteen Swedish, with a total membership of 1,062. There was expended in this work in 1895, \$5,496.

The Jail Full of Murderers.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 14.—John Nice, who was assaulted in a most brutal manner at Plymouth a few days ago, is dead. Michael Pushka, implicated in the murder, was arrested last night and sent to the county prison to await a hearing. There are now twenty-four men, either convicted or charged with murder, in prison here.

Serious Mine Explosion.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 14.—A serious explosion of mine gas occurred at Woodward mine of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western company last night whereby five men were badly burned and otherwise sustained serious injury. The mine is still on fire, but it is believed it can be subdued within a few hours.

Ex-Speaker Crisp III.

Atlanta, Ga., April 14.—It is announced that acting on the advice of his physician, Hon. Charles F. Crisp has been compelled to give up the appointments for speaking. He and Secretary Smith have met in four joint debates, and since the second one, which was at Atlanta, Judge Crisp has suffered in health.

HOW REED STANDS

The Maine Man's Chances To-day for the Nomination.

FIGURES' BY SENATOR ALDRICH

Delegates So Far Elected: McKinley, 169; Reed, 111; The Field, 166; Doubtful, 48—Total, 494.

Washington, April 14.—Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island gave out a statement last night of Mr. Reed's strength as compared with that of other candidates and says: "I think the time has come to let the country know something about the actual standing of Mr. Reed in this canvass. His friends have devoted themselves thus far to electing Reed delegates rather than to making claims which they cannot substantiate. This table which I submit is made up from reliable information furnished by delegates and in some cases by chairmen of conventions. To be sure there are contests in several places where it would be unfair to prejudge the action of the convention. For instance, the entire Mississippi delegation will be contested, and we place them in the doubtful column. The only "speculation" in this list is in the doubtful column. "Newspaper rumors" do not figure in it at all. There is no trouble about getting delegates, alternates and contestants; this is all a matter of record and an open page. The table given out by McKinley's friends on Monday includes the unelected delegates from Ohio and Indiana. As well might we include the unelected delegates from Maine and other states which are for Reed, but this would stamp such an estimate as fraudulent."

The Estimate.

The following is Mr. Aldrich's estimate: Alabama: Reed, 3; McKinley, 2. Arkansas: Reed, 0; McKinley, 16. Florida: Reed, 2; McKinley, 0. Georgia, Reed, 12; McKinley, 7. Illinois: Reed, 0; McKinley, 6. Indiana: Reed, 0; McKinley, 12. Kansas: Reed, 0; McKinley, 14. Kentucky: Reed, 0; McKinley, 4. Louisiana: Reed, 15; McKinley, 1. Massachusetts: Reed, 26; McKinley, 0. Minnesota: Reed, 0; McKinley, 10. Missouri: Reed, 0; McKinley, 12. Nebraska: Reed, 0; McKinley, 6. New Hampshire: Reed, 8; McKinley, 0. New York: Reed, 0; McKinley, 2. Ohio: Reed, 0; McKinley, 30. Oregon: Reed, 0; McKinley, 8. Pennsylvania: Reed, 0; McKinley, 2. Rhode Island: Reed, 8; McKinley, 0. South Carolina: Reed, 8; McKinley, 0. South Dakota: Reed, 0; McKinley, 8. Texas: Reed, 20; McKinley, 8. Virginia: Reed, 2; McKinley, 0. Wisconsin: Reed, 0; McKinley, 24. Oklahoma: Reed, 6; McKinley, 0. District of Columbia: Reed, 1; McKinley, 0. Total—Reed, 111; McKinley, 169.

Summary of the Estimate.

"There have 165 delegates elected," he says, "who are divided between Morton, Allison, Quay, Cullom and Bradley, and 48 who are properly classed as doubtful. The summary, therefore, is as follows: Reed, 111; McKinley, 169; The Field, 166; doubtful, 48. Total, 494. We make no note of the four delegates recently elected in South Carolina, because the legality of that convention is questioned; in any event, they would belong in the doubtful column."

FATHER DOHERTY'S WILL.

Nearly \$50,000 Divided Among Catholic Institutions.

Honesdale, Pa., April 14.—The Rev. Dr. J. D. Doherty, who for thirty-seven years was pastor of St. John's Roman Catholic church of this place, and who died on April 7, made the following bequests in his will: Catholic university, Washington, D. C., \$5,000; St. Mary's college, Emmitsburg, Md., \$5,000; St. Mary's Orphan asylum, Emmitsburg, \$2,000; Magdalene home, Scranton, Pa., \$500; Catholic Orphan asylum, Scranton, \$1,000 and the Magdalene home, Springfield, Mass., \$500. His executors are directed to expend an amount not to exceed \$20,000 in the erection of a building in Honesdale to be known as St. John's hall or Opera house.

Editor Dunlop's Case.

Washington, April 14.—The motion of the government to advance the case of Joseph R. Dunlop, the Chicago editor who is under conviction of depositing obscene matter in the Chicago postoffice for transmission through the mails, has been granted by the supreme court of the United States, and it will be heard on October 19. But for the motion to advance it would not have been reached in the ordinary course of consideration for two or three years.

Running Short Handed on Short Time.

Hartford, April 14.—The Eddy Electric Manufacturing company of Windsor has discharged thirty-five hands, and the 163 hands remaining will hereafter work but four days per week. Over production and lack of orders is assigned as the cause for the changes.

Marriage Bill in the House.

Washington, April 14.—The bill to regulate marriage in the district, which provoked a long discussion yesterday afternoon in the house, will be voted on to-day.

To Prospect for Silver and Copper.

Susquehanna, Pa., April 14.—Capitalists from New York and Pennsylvania have organized a stock company to prospect for silver and copper at South Canaan, Wayne county, Pa. Ores taken from the land issued are rich in base metals. The company has secured an option on 552 acres of land for \$55,000.

YAMAGATA PLEASED

Honor Shown the Little Japanese Warrior in New York State.

HUDSON SCENERY DELIGHTED HIM

Considered General Grant One of the Greatest Soldiers He Ever Met—Can't Understand How States Can Have Independent Governments.

New York, April 14.—No arrangements have been made as yet for a public military display in honor of Marquis Yamagata, who arrived in this city with his attendants over the New York Central last night. The little Japanese warrior is delighted with his reception after entering New York state, and when seen at the Waldorf this morning expressed gratification for all the courtesies extended to him, and especially his reception by Gov. Morton at the executive mansion in Albany. "When I came to America before," he said, "I felt that I was among strangers. Now I feel that I am in a country where friends welcome me with wide open arms. Instead of traveling as an unknown stranger, I have been made to feel that I am indeed a welcome friend. How gratifying this is to me no words of mine can express. The depth of my appreciation neither can words speak. But I do not see that I deserve the honors so lavishly showered upon me. I have done my duty only to my emperor and country. The humblest soldier of Japan did the same. We did all we could for our country, no more, no less. My country fought a great fight and won. In common with all my country, I rejoice over the victory."

Delighted with Hudson Scenery.

The journey from Albany was of particular interest to the Japanese party and they repeatedly spoke of the magnificent scenery along the Hudson. The general's party were in an observation car on the end of the special train, and the rapidity of the train greatly impressed the little general. Two or three times during the journey the engineer threw open the throttle and the train went a clip never before experienced by the Japanese. They peered through the wide observation windows and with astonished looks, tried to gauge the speed of the flyer.

Considered Grant a Great General.

When the train reached West Point the speed was slackened so that Yamagata might get a glimpse of the military school. At the mention of the name of West Point the marshal's face brightened up and he immediately recalled the name of Gen. Grant. He said he remembered Gen. Grant very well, and thought him the greatest American he had ever met. "When Gen. Grant was on his trip around the world," said Yamagata, "he visited Japan. I was then a colonel in the army and was delegated as his escort while in my country. I have never forgotten him. He impressed me as being a noble man and a great general." The marquis remained in his car throughout the trip, and was entertained by his physician, Dr. Hirai, who exercises a severe censorship over his patient's movements; Major Oshima, the chief of police of Japan, Japanese Consul General Miyacagawa, George E. Daniels and J. M. Toucey of the New York Central railroad. Other guests aboard the train were Adjt.-Gen. McAlpin, Gen. Edmund Hayes, Gen. R. M. Whitlock, Gen. James M. Varnum, Gen. William C. Wallace, Gen. C. A. Wiley, Col. G. W. Turner, Col. Charles F. James, Major J. F. Burbank, U. S. A.; Gen. M. A. Terry, Gen. H. C. Noyes, C. E. Storey, E. J. Weeks, F. A. Harrington, and members of the press.

State Government Hinders Him.

In speaking of American institutions and American military affairs Yamagata showed a remarkable amount of knowledge. The one thing that troubled him, however, was individual government by states. He did not clearly understand how each state could have individual government and all still be subject to one central government. New York city was reached at shortly before 9 o'clock. There were about 300 persons present at the Grand Central depot to meet the party, including S. Kurin, Japanese minister at Washington; H. Shigio, a resident of Washington; G. Nagasaki of the Japanese bank of New York; M. Odagiri of the Japanese consulate in this city, and a committee representing about 150 Japanese merchants of this city and Brooklyn. Eight carriages were on hand to convey the party to the Waldorf hotel. Marquis Yamagata walked down the platform on the arm of Gen. McAlpin and entered the first carriage accompanied by his secretary and interpreter. The remainder of the party entered the other carriages. As they drove away from the depot there was considerable cheering and rounds of handclapping.

Leather Manufacturers Avigda.

Milford, Mass., April 14.—Green Brothers, heel and scrap leather manufacturers, for over thirty years located here, have assigned. There are few or no local creditors outside of the banks.

Irish Champion Wrestler Defeated.

Liverpool, April 14.—In a wrestling match here last night between Pierri, a Greek, and McInerney, the Irish champion, the latter was defeated, Pierri winning two out of three falls.

Ten Families Homeless.

Summit, N. J., April 14.—Ten families are homeless, all their household goods being destroyed, as the result of the fire which yesterday consumed the Faintone block. The loss is \$12,000.

May Delegates Chosen.

Elmira, N. Y., April 14.—The Republicans of Tioga county, Pa., elected Quay representatives to the district and state convention.

OLD TIMERS PLAY BALL

A Unique Game Witnessed at Rockford, Ill., Yesterday Afternoon.

Rockford, Ill., April 14.—The receipts from the old-time baseball game yesterday in honor of Harry Wright, which are to go to the erection of a monument to him in Philadelphia will probably reach \$800, although rain prevented many from attending. The game was the most unique in the history of baseball. Veterans of the sixties whose names were once household words met in contest according to the old rules, that gives the pitcher nine balls, made a foul on bound out, and caused the runner to be called out if he ran over first base. The umpire of the game was H. H. Waldo, 76 years of age, known as the "Father of Forest City," which team was organized here in 1865 and played until 1875, being one of the most famous clubs in the country. It was the reunion of players of the old Forest City team and a number of players who had been prominent on other teams volunteered their services. One team was made up of A. G. Spalding, George E. King, Frank Trumbull, Al Barker, M. L. Wheeler, R. C. Buckman, W. L. Lightfoot, B. Osborne and Fred Cone, and the other club consisted of "Cherokee" Fisher, M. Larue, Harry Starr, W. S. Stearns, Dan O'Leary, E. C. Dunn, George Wright, C. T. Page and M. H. Golden. Spalding and King, Fisher, and Larue formed the batteries. Geo. Wright, brother of Harry Wright, played shortstop for his team. The Forest City blanked their opponents, and in the third half batted out four runs, when heavy rain stopped the game.

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BY JESSIE M. ANDERSON.

Mrs. Tom Walton was in a very comfortable frame of mind and body. "Tom" had come home for luncheon, and had amiably started off with their guest, Grace Maynard, for the public reception at the white house. Grace was to go by the afternoon train, and this was her last chance to see the "First Lady of the Land," as the newspapers call our democratic queen. Tom would be coming home for dinner alone after seeing Grace off, and there would be a chance again for their dear cozy evenings together. It was selfish, she knew; but she was glad that they were not to have any more visitors. Nobody would be coming to Washington, now that the season was so nearly over, and she could have Tom all to herself. She looked lazily out of the window and saw her husband and Grace boarding a car at the corner.

There is scarcely anything more entertaining to a student of democratic government than an afternoon reception at the white house. Mr. Walton and his charge had stood long and perseveringly "in line," first out in the street, then gradually pushed along within the grounds, till at last they found themselves standing in solemn file, Grace in front, at the very threshold of the blue room. Just ahead were two tiny but bold figures—a small, dark-eyed Jewess and her smaller brother—"Miss Zimmerman and Mr. Zimmerman," they gave their names to the inquiring usher; "Miss Cinnamon and Mr. Cinnamon," he shouted, in stentorian tones, as they passed along the magic circle within which stood the receiving party.

Back of these was a curious-looking old woman with a huge green veil tied over her head and ears and a tiny, faded old black shawl gathered around her shoulders.

"Wall, now, it's good for sore eyes to see ye," she said, as she shook hands lingeringly with one of the cabinet ladies. "Be ye Mrs. Cleveland? Wall, now. I can't see ez ye look much like my picture that I've got at home. That looks just like my Cynthia did before she died." Her tones were croaking, but there was an upward curve of happy pride in the wrinkles about the kindly old eyes.

"Move on, there!" came the rough voice of the policeman. And Grace and Mr. Walton found themselves taking the woman's place; and then, all in a breath, they were out in the great room beyond, amusing themselves by listening to the broken English of a group of Corsairs who stood in one corner, gay in native costume, with their odd caps on their heads.

"Four o'clock already," said Mr. Walton, looking at his watch. "We shall have to hurry, if you want to see the conservatory."

Just as Mr. Walton was putting Grace on her train, Mrs. Walton drawled a lazy "Come!" to the maid who brought her the afternoon post. There were two letters. One, a fat one, from a young cousin of Mr. Walton's, she opened first:

"MY DEAR HETTY: I gather from Tom's letters that you two are still moaning along in your nuptial bliss, not settled down enough to enjoy visitors. So I'm not coming to see you. But you can't guess where I have been!

"It seems a year or two, but it's really only a month, I've spent with a dear funny old aunt of Tom's and mine. I thought I knew what it would be like to live that way, but Gooseberryville exceeded my most sanguine expectations."

"Aunt Martha lives in a little old place, not picturesque enough to be called a cottage, and not sizable enough to be a home. I just pumped my brain to remember all the 'news' for years back of anybody connected with our enormous family. She would roll pleurust while I washed tea-cups; or, to be less poetic, but more frequently true, she filled the oil lamps while I scoured the griddlepans—or polished up the gilt frame of Mr. Cleveland's picture in the parlor.

"Poor old soul! I heard that the villagers about there call her 'Ruts.' I found that she had had for breakfast ever since she was left alone, which is several months ago, griddlecakes and molasses; for dinner, bread without butter and half a pie; and for supper, the rest of the pie and bread and cheese, with a cup of tea. She said it was cheaper and easier; she never had been much of a hand at accounts; and in that way she could tell just how much she spent, and keep within her income."

"While I was there, of course I paid board, and I 'instituted a charge,' as she called it. At first she wouldn't eat but one or two different things at one meal, but I soon coax'd her into looking up all her famous old recipes, and I left her a new creature. She got so much fatter and brighter that you would hardly have known her."

"There's no use of sending her money, for she won't like it. But if you and Tom could send her a new shawl and a new dark-green veil—she never goes out without these two things, part of her 'rut'—why, she would put in a better appearance, the dear soul!"

"The visit has really done me good, too. I was getting into a rut, myself, if not quite as narrow a one as Aunt Martha's. 'Most affectionately, your cousin,

"FLORENCE."

Tom Walton was hurrying home, across the little green "square" opposite his street, when he heard someone speak in a quavering tone. "Sir, do you know where Park place is?"

He looked around, and saw a little old woman sitting on a bench that stood at the edge of the gravel walk. She was apparently too tired even to stand up to attract attention; and she spoke in a discouraged way, as if she hardly expected him to turn around.

"Why, madam, this block up here is Park place. What number are you looking for?" he said, kindly, sitting down beside the old lady, and waiting patiently while she fumbled in her pocket.

"I can't find the paper," she said, at last. "But I think it's 17."

"Very well, madam," said Tom, still more kindly; he knew there was no such number in the place, but did not wish to break her hope down until she could rest a little and perhaps find the paper. "If you will just step into my house—this first house here—I will have somebody take you over. You should have a cup of tea too; you look a bit tired." He

picked up her umbrella, and she leaned gratefully on his arm as they crossed the square.

He opened the door with the latchkey, and smuggled the old lady into the library. There he settled her in a big armchair, and then ran hastily upstairs to his wife.

Now Harriet was just looking about for a convenient chair to put her skein of silk across, while she wound it on a large spool, to keep it from tangling. When Tom entered the room she jumped up happily, and, giving him a kiss, said, imperatively: "Now, Tom, you are just in time; put out your hands, sir!"

"You dear old fellow—did Grace get off? What kind of a time did you have at the reception?" Tremendously crowded! oh yes, that goes without saying. Oh, Tom, it's such a blessed relief to have you here, all to myself. We won't be at home to anybody for a week, will we? but just have some of our pleasant little evenings together. Have some tea? Here, I can reach the bell. By the way, I've had a letter from Florence Drayton. She's been up to a new prank—been playing her cheer-up act down at your aunt Martha's. She must be an odd old soul from what Florence says. You've never told me much about her. When did you see her last?"

"Aunt Martha? Oh, not since I was a boy. I really have rather neglected her, I suppose. She was all right so long as her daughter lived—Jane. She taught school down there, and they got on very well; but, speaking of old ladies—"

"Oh, 'Tom,'" broke in Harriet, "you seem to be excited on the subject of old ladies. You're twisting your hands up frightfully, and the silk is a mess. The trees look bare yet over in the park, don't they? I shall be glad when spring really comes. If it hadn't been for that frost!"

"Apropos of the park," said Tom, humbly, beginning again rather abruptly, "when I was coming through the park this afternoon there was a poor old woman sitting on a bench. I really felt sorry for her, she looked so helpless and tired..."

"Ob, Tom!" cried his wife, in despair, "do please be careful. You're knotting the silk worse than ever. Be sorry for me. You can't waste your pity on every loafer you see on the park benches."

"But, Hetty, dear, this old lady wasn't a 'loafer'; she was just a respectable old country soul. I should judge, who had lost her way in the city. I really felt sorry for her."

"Why didn't you bring her home for dinner?" said Harriet, a little sarcastically. "Oh, Tom now you have done it."

Tom dropped the silk entirely in his dismay, and gasped, half laughing in spite of his anxiety: "Well, Hetty dear—I did—bring her—home with me!"

"Thomas Burr Walton! What have you done with her? Poor old thing!" and before Tom could grab his wife's purpose or change his mode, she was downstairs, flying through the drawing-room into the library beyond with, as she afterwards confessed, a mixture of fears that the "poor old woman might have fallen in a faint from weariness, or that she might have made off with the brie-a-brac."

Poor old thing! She had not fainted, but she was almost unconscious from sheer exhaustion. Tenderly they lifted her and carried her over to the divan in the bow-window recess. She asked feebly for her bag and moaned out something about being "so many people there," and she was "so tired."

"Why, I do believe it's the very same old creature that walked ahead of us in the procession at the white house," said Mr. Walton; "yes, it's the same green veil!"

They looked for the little bag in vain. "I remember she held on to it when I took her umbrella," said Tom. "She must have dropped it in the street without my noticing it."

"Tom, dear," said Harriet, as they went into the dining-room for dinner, leaving the "poor old soul" fast asleep in the library—"Tom, I think you'd better send around to the other houses in the place and inquire if they are expecting an old lady. You see, it's only a block; and it might save her friends great anxiety."

"But who is there on this block that could possibly be expecting her?" Tom asked, doubtfully.

However, he admitted that there could be no harm done, and finally said he would step around himself. But he came back within half an hour without having learned anything about "an old lady—looking for some number on Park place." Nobody was "expecting her."

"She must have meant Park avenue," they decided; "we will try to find out to-morrow; don't disturb her now."

And so, with cushions carefully arranged to shut off all draft, they left her on the wide window couch for the night. The next day they had a doctor call in and a trained nurse from the hospital. The old lady was very ill, and asked, doubtfully.

"Mrs. Cleveland was there; but I didn't have a chance to shake hands. They made us hurry by so fast. But she looks like Cynthia. Yes, Cynthia could have made a president's wife—wouldn't have been a mite too good for her. I think I dropped my bag—dropped it, yes, there it is; and I'm too tired to pick it up!"

Suddenly Harriet, listening, turned and ran downstairs to the library, from which they had carried the old woman that morning up to the "guest room," which Grace Maynard had just left. "I wonder if she could have dropped it here!" was the thought that had come to her.

She looked about, near the chair where she had found the old woman on the previous afternoon; and there, surely enough—there was the little black bag! She hesitated for a moment, then decided to open it.

Then she flew upstairs to the dressing-room, where Tom was polishing his boots.

"Oh, Tom," she cried, half laughing, but with a "choke" in her voice—"Tom, it's Aunt Martha!"—N. Y. Independent.

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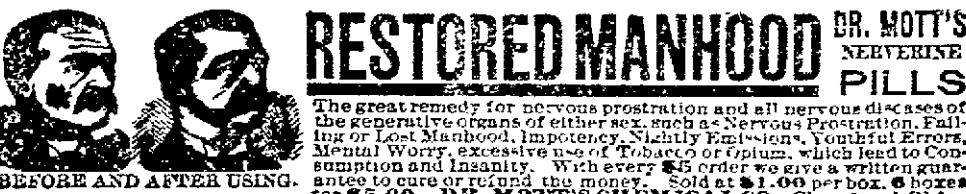
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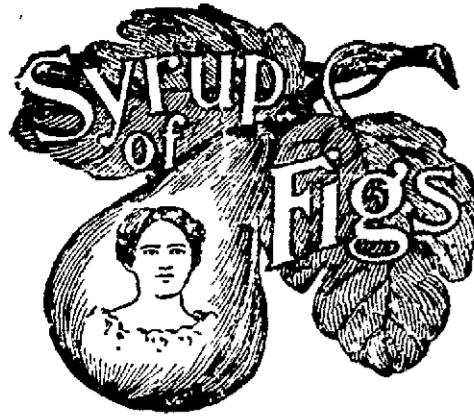
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THE SPOTS ON THE SUN.

What the Scientists Think About Their Influence on Our Weather.

The vexed question of the influence of sun-spots on the weather seems to be as far from settlement to-day as it was ten or twenty years ago, says the Youth's Companion. So great an authority as Lord Kelvin has recently expressed a doubt as to whether the coincidences noticed by students of this subject are not, after all, deceptive and misleading. Other investigators, however, continue to think that a real connection exists between the spottedness of the sun and the condition of the weather on the earth.

Among the latest contributions to our knowledge on the subject are those made by Mr. W. L. Dallas, who has investigated the weather records kept from 1856 to 1879 on board ships in the Bay of Bengal, and by Dr. P. Polis, who has reviewed the records of 64 years, at Aix-la-Chapelle. Mr. Dallas concludes that, as far as the Bay of Bengal is concerned, the heat is greatest when sun-spots are most numerous. Dr. Polis, on the other hand, finds that at Aix-la-Chapelle the warmest seasons formerly coincided with the smallest number of sun-spots, but that since 1878 a change has apparently occurred and now it is hottest when the sun is most spotted. Dr. Polis also finds that the number of thunder storms generally increases with a decrease of the sun-spots.

These facts and inferences are particularly interesting just now, because from this time on we are likely to see the sun-spots rapidly decreasing in size, and number for several years to come.

TWO REASONS.

The Judge's Able Support of His Own Decision.

At a circuit court held some years ago in a western state an action of ejectment was tried "by the court without a jury." The decision rendered was couched in such a way that it caused considerable amusement.

The suit was brought, says the Youth's Companion, by a religious society to recover possession of a cemetery. The defendant was a physician in active practice, who, as one of a committee appointed by the church, had bought the ground for the use of the society.

Afterward he severed his connection with the society, and it was found that he had taken the title in his own name, and intended to appropriate the premises for his private use. The defendant insisted that he had bought the ground in his own right after his relations to the society had ceased.

The court, after hearing the evidence and arguments, proceeded to state the grounds for his decision, and ordered judgment for the plaintiff. Whereupon the defendant's counsel arose, and asked the court to state more fully the reasons for the decision.

"Certainly," said his honor, promptly: "But as you have heard what I have said, I have only two additional reasons to give: One is that the church seems to need a cemetery, and the other that the doctor has failed to show that his practice is sufficiently large to make it necessary for him to keep a burying ground of his own."

Inexcusable.

"I never felt so provoked in my life," said the girl in blue when telling of her experience the next day.

"What was the matter?" asked the girl in gray. "Your new gown was all right, wasn't it?"

"Oh, yes."

"And your new hat is certainly a beauty."

"I realize it."

"Then what was the matter?"

"Why, I wore them both for the first time last night, and George hurried me so that we reached the theater before the curtain had gone up for the first act."—Chicago Post.

Easy in His Case.

"A fellow has got to learn to do his own shaving some time in his life, I reckon," observed young Squeer, throwing down the money for his first razor with an air of something like lofty indifference. "If a fellow's careful, though, I don't suppose he needs to cut himself."

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FRENCH JOURNALISM.

The Fifty Daily Newspapers of Paris and Their Readers.

The Paris press comprises nearly 50 daily newspapers, the aggregate not having varied greatly during the last ten years. Most of these are sold for one sou. An extremely limited number is sold for two sou, and two or three only for three sou, or a little less than three halfpence. It is hardly necessary to say, by way of preliminary comment, that a dozen really able journals would be better supported and better serve the interests of the public. The French people, taken as a mass, have little money, says the National Review, to pay for the gratification of the small amount of literary taste they possess. The novelist, Zola, declared in an interview a few months ago that reviews and magazines like those of England and America would not find in France a sufficient number of readers to justify their publication.

The Revue des Deux Mondes is supported by the professional literati, the learned professions and an aristocracy of birth and money. It is rarely seen outside these circles. Even the handsome and readable illustrated newspapers, such as the Illustration and Monde Illustré, have only a small circulation, confined principally to the cafes, though the literary matter they contain is generally of an elevated character and especially adapted for family use.

AN ABSENT-MINDED MAN.

He Was Driving to Pasture a Cow Still in the Stable.

There have been a great many stories about absent-minded men, where one forgets his house address, another what business he is in, and where another has to refer to the mark on his handkerchief before he can remember his own name, etc. There is a lawyer in Fort Atkinson, Wis., by the name of Rogers, who possessed a Jersey cow, which he used to drive, morning and evening, to and from the pasture, a few blocks distant from his home. One morning as one of his neighbors was passing along the street he met Mr. Rogers walking in the middle of the road, his mind apparently engrossed with some weighty question. The neighbor called out:

"Good morning, Mr. Rogers; where are you going?"

"Why, I wore them both for the first time last night, and George hurried me so that we reached the theater before the curtain had gone up for the first act."—Chicago Post.

"I realize it."

"Then what was the matter?"

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"I guess I forgot to let her out of the barn," answered Mr. Rogers, humbly, as he realized his position. And he had.

Their Similarity.

Little Remington Corkright (a Kentucky lad)—Pa, what is electricity, anyhow?

Col. Corkright—Edison defines electricity as "a mysterious fluid about which nothing is known," my son.

Little Remington (after thinking deeply)—Why, pa, according to that, it must be a heap like watuh!—Truth.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist Church at Rives Junction she was taken down with pneumonia, succeeding la grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption, and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results."

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Republican leaders at Albany are of the opinion that there will be little difficulty in passing the Greater New York bill over the vetoes of Mayor Strong and Wurster.

Captain Roberts has written to friends in New York that the Platt programme is Senator Ellsworth for Governor and B. B. Odell, Jr. for Lieutenant Governor. The friends of Mr. Odell insist that Mr. Roberts has got things twisted and that the ticket is to be O'Neill and Ellsworth. It's a good bet, though, that all are wrong and that neither name will be seriously considered when the convention meets.

The Albany Argus, yesterday, earnestly advocated the nomination of ex-Gov. Flower by the Democratic national convention. Its article has attracted much attention in political circles, because of the close relations which the paper holds to many Democratic leaders, and it is accepted as meaning that an earnest effort is to be made by New York Democrats to bring Gov. Flower's nomination at Chicago. As Governor, Roswell P. Flower gave the State the most business-like administration that it ever had, and the same honesty of purpose and fidelity to duty that characterized him at Albany, are just what are needed in the White House to insure prosperity at home and the preservation of the national honor abroad.

We learn from good Republican authority that the slate to be put through at the Republican Congressional District convention in this city, Saturday, bears the name of Col. Bradley, of Walden; and Congressman O'Neill, of Newburgh, as delegates to the national convention. Both of the gentlemen named are residents of the First Assembly District, but this difficulty is to be got around by having Sullivan carry present Mr. O'Neill's name, a deal to that effect having been engineered at the State convention when Alpheus Potts, of Sullivan, was named as Presidential elector. Senator Lexow will be permitted to go the convention as an alternate, if Rockland county does not want some other man and the Second Assembly District of Orange county will be permitted to name the other alternate.

THE PARADE REHEARSALS.

The schedule arranged by Miss Stewart for the dances.

The schedule of rehearsals for the Parade dances which was published, yesterday, was not complete, and we therefore republish the schedule:

Japanese—Monday and Wednesday, 8:15; Saturday, 9:30 a.m.

Flowers and Bees—Monday and Wednesday, 4; Saturday, 10 a.m.

Carnival—Tuesday and Thursday, 4; Saturday, 11 a.m.

Hornpipe—Tuesday and Thursday, 5; Saturday, 3 p.m.

Pages—Monday and Wednesday, 5; Saturday, 4 p.m.

Black Cards—Monday and Wednesday, 8; Friday, 9.

Scarf—Tuesday and Friday, 7; Saturday, 9.

Red Cards—Tuesday and Friday, 8; Saturday, 8.

Mirror—Tuesday and Friday, 8; Saturday, 7.

Tembourine—Wednesday, 7; Friday and Saturday, 5.

Daughters of Pocohontas.

White Eagle Council, Daughters of Pocohontas, after its meeting, to-night, will, with invited guests, enjoy a musical entertainment, box social and a repast of cord and venison. The roll for charter membership closes, this evening. There are already fifteen pale faces on the list for adoption, this evening, and applicants for membership, if they send their applications and initiation fee, \$1, to the Council, this evening, may, if elected to membership, be adopted and enrolled as charter members.

The Council will soon produce the drama, "The Marriage of Capt. John Smith."

Universalist Sociable.

The Universalists will hold a sociable at the residence of Mrs. P. D. Nearing, 103 West Main street, Thursday evening, April 16th. There will be a musical and literary programme. All are invited.

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Of those unhappy people who are suffering with weak nerves, starting at every slight sound, unable to endure any unusual disturbance, finding it impossible to sleep? Avoid opiate and nerve compounds. Feed the nerves upon blood made pure and nourishing by the great blood purifier and true nerve tonic, Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

A VETERAN OFFICE HOLDER DEAD
Death of William C. Miller, in Office in Newburgh, for Many Years.

BY UNITED PRESS.

NEWBURGH, April 14.—Squire William C. Miller died, to-day, aged seventy-nine years. For fifteen years he was superintendent of the alum house and for ten years he was superintendent of the city water works. He also held the office of Justice of the Peace and Police Justice for several years.

MANY MINERS KILLED.

Fatal Explosion in an English Colliery—Eighteen Dead and Twenty-six Entombed.

BY UNITED PRESS.

LONDON, April 14.—A deadly explosion occurred, last night, in the Brancepeth Colliery, in the township of Willington, in Durham. Eight bodies have been taken out, and it is feared ten others are dead. Twenty-six others are entombed, but there is a possibility of their being rescued.

IN FAVOR OF ARIZONA'S STATEHOOD

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The House Committee on Territories by a majority vote has agreed to report favorably the bill to admit Arizona to Statehood.

PORT JERVIS' NEW OFFICIALS.

Appointments Made by the Democratic Board of Trustees.

Port Jervis' Democratic Board of Trustees met last night and made the following appointments:

Chief of Police, James Brown.

Street Commissioner, George Westbrook.

Night Policemen, James Duffy, John Flaherty, Thad. Mead, Patrick Collier, Smith Dennis, Bert Brew and L. S. Rosencrance.

Board of Health, John L. McKnight, August Fenner, H. W. Quick; Poundmaster, Samuel W. Meyers.

SIGNS OF SPRING.

Trailing Arbutus and Other Early Flowers—But Don't Trust Our Fickle Climate Too Soon.

Mr. Wm. T. Conkling went to High Barney, this morning, in search of trailing arbutus, and returned with a very nice bunch. With arbutus, crocuses and tulips in bloom, and such weather as we have had for the past few days, it would seem that spring is surely here. It won't do, however, to feel too sure. Ours is a fickle climate, and it is not advisable to exchange winter flannels for lighter weight on the strength of two days of warm weather.

A Pleasant Social Party.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Biggin entertained about fifty of their friends at their pleasant home, corner of Houston and Prospect avenue, last evening.

Progressive euchre was the principal amusement of the evening and tea tables were filled. Elegant refreshments were served during the evening.

Horticulture.

Geo. H. Decker, Esq., referee, will sell at public auction, to-morrow, at the Russell House, at 2 p.m., the Sayer lot and premises on Houston avenue. Edwin S. Merrill, Esq., is plaintiff's attorney.

No small objection which young folks had to the old time spring medicine was their nauseousness. In our day, this objection is removed and Ayer's Sarsaparilla, the most powerful and popular of blood purifiers, is as pleasant as a cordial.

WILD With Eczema

I was a sufferer for eight years from Eczema, but now am entirely cured. The palms of my hands were covered and badly inflamed; little white blisters appeared, the would burn like fire and itch. On the inside of the upper part of my limbs, great red blisters would appear, and as soon as I became warm, the burning and itching would begin. Night and night would be agonizing. I almost lost a leg. I got a bottle of Cetecra, and a bottle of Cetecra Resolvent, and after a few applications I noticed the redness and inflammation disappear, before I had used one box there was not a sign of Eczema left. I can truthfully assert that \$2.00 worth of Cetecra Resolvent cost me.

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EXCELSIOR'S FIRST SMOKER.

The Invitation to Kingston Declined—An Adelian Recital—A Clam Feast.

A special meeting of Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company was held, last evening, at which it was decided, with much reluctance, however, to decline the invitation of Whitwick Hose and Truck Company, of Kingston, to be their guests upon the occasion of the Tri County Firemen's Convention to be held in that city in June.

This action is due to the fact that Excelsior will entertain one or two companies at the annual parade this fall, and will devote all their energies to making the proposed parade a grand success.

After the meeting the members adjourned to the truck room, where pipes were smoked, while Mr. Fred O. Rockefellow and Prof. W. J. Stevens gave a recital upon the piano.

About 9:15 o'clock, sixty members of the company sat down to a feast of steamed Little Neck clams, and the relish with which the succulent bivalves were devoured was ample proof of their excellent quality.

The general opinion was that Excelsior's first "smoker" was a big success.

DAMAGE QUICKLY REPAIRED.

Engine No. 244 of the Crawford Branch broke down at Pine Bush, yesterday, and was taken to Port Jervis, last night, by the Erie yard engine, where it was repaired and is again in service, this morning.

The Bachelors' Easter Hop.

The Bachelors' Easter Hop at the Casino, to-night, is expected to be the social event of the season. A very large attendance is anticipated.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT.

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 15 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, April 14 '96. Yesterday To-day.

Sugar..... 121 1/2 120 1/2

T. & S. F. 15 1/2 15 1/2

D. B. & Q. 79 78 78

Chicago Gas..... 69 1/2 70

D. L. & W. 18 1/2 18 1/2

Gas & Oil F. 18 1/2 18 1/2

Ex. 14 1/2 14 1/2

General Electric..... 33 1/2 37 1/2

L. & N. 60 1/2 60 1/2

M. & P. 14 1/2 14 1/2

N. Y. & N. E. 24 1/2 25 1/2

N. Y. C. 97 97

N. W. 103 1/2 104 1/2

Susquehanna & Western..... 86 84

W. & W. 24 1/2 25

Metropolitan..... 11 1/2 11 1/2

Southern Ry. 9 1/2 10 1/2

T. & R. 12 1/2 12 1/2

U. & S. 71 1/2 71 1/2

U. S. & S. P. 76 1/2 76 1/2

W. Union..... 83 1/2 84 1/2

Nat. Lead..... 24 1/2 25

May Wheat..... 65 1/2 65

May Corn..... 30 1/2 30 1/2

May Potash..... 19 1/2 19 1/2

May Potash..... 28 1/2 28 1/2

May Lard..... 5 00 5 00

SHEDD.

WESSEL—At 68 Sprague avenue, this city, April 1st, '96, of peritonitis. Little McNeil, wife of Wm. C. Wessel, aged twenty-six years.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon, at one o'clock, at the residence of Wessel, 68 Sprague avenue, private. Relatives and friends are expected to attend. Interment in Middletown Cemetery.

J. O. MCKEEHILL, Wm. J. Jones, Esq., telephone No. 3, New York office, 151 East 23d street.

K. NAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers, and Esq., corner West Main and Jones' Esq., Lady assistant. Telephone No. 10 and 22.

DOUGHERTY & RIELLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown.

JOHN DONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 121 North street. Funeral coaches to last Tebbetts 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

CLIFFORD ROGERS, interior decorating and paper hanging. Shop, corner Main and Ferry streets.

J. VAN DEMAREST, Civil Engineer and Surveyor, rooms 9 and 10 Low Building, Middletown, N. Y.

ETNA COPING CO., Crayon, Water Color, Pastel and Oil.

ARTISTIC PORTRAITS DURABLE.

No connection with unpopular fellows who left town. HIRE TO STAY.

No. 5 West Main St., Middletown, N. Y.

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EMMETT MCBRIDE, Administrators, JOHN MORRIS, O'NEILL & ROYCE, Attorneys for Administrators, Middletown, N. Y.

Dated March 4th, 1896.

THE DUTCHES TROUSERS.

They stand, to-day, without equal.

Note their guarantee:

You buy a pair at \$2, \$2.50

and up to \$4, wear them two

months and for every button

that comes off we will pay you

10c, if they rip at the waist-

band we will pay you 50c, if

they rip in the seat or else-

where we will pay you \$1 or

give you a new pair. Cotton

Pants 60, 75c, \$1.

HOOD'S

WE HAVE BEEN The Furniture Business Over 23 Years.

But never before have we had such a varied and complete assortment of Furniture, Carpets, etc., as we have this spring, especially carpets, and the prices; well, we won't say anything about that. Come in and see for yourself.

We have a few Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines that we will close out at half price. The best machine in the world.

**G. E. CRAWFORD
FURNITURE CO**

44-46 North street

HAVE YOU TRIED OUR ICE CREAM SODA WATER LATELY?

What do you think of it? The "Old Reliable" Soda Fountain was fairly worn out with 20 years faithful service. We've replaced it with two new fountains, "Twins." They bid fair to acquire even a greater reputation than the "Old Reliable" for fine soda water.

McMonagle & Rogers.

SOMETHING NEW IN MIDDLETOWN!

A stock of Stage Make-up, Cosmetics, etc. Gaease Paints, Flesh and Carmine Tints, Grease Crayons, Paints for eyelashes, Lip and Cheek Rouge, Burnt Cork and other Stage Toilet Articles for Theatricals.

McMonagle & Rogers, Drug-gists.

LADIES' SWISS RIBBED Vests

like illustration, in pink, light blue, cream and white, a better vest was never shown anywhere for 25c; our special price on these vests 19c each. The most complete line of LADIES' VESTS from 5c to \$1 each ever shown. We have everything in ribbed and also the white Swiss vests for infants and children.



Mr. F. B. Ayers, of Middletown, was visiting friends in town, Saturday—Norwich Sun.

THE ARGUS.

TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 1896

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14—Partly cloudy, possibly showers to-night; Wednesday fair; cooler in interior. Wednesday morning, south-westerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:

7 A. M., 58°; 12 M., 80°; 3 P. M., 80°.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—A pound for baking powder at Ready Pay Store.

—Have you seen the "Twins" at McMonagle & Rogers'?

—Miss Michelle Boudard, at Casino, April 20-25.

—Miss O'Connor, druggist, has removed to 15 North street.

—Meeting of St. Elizabeth Society to-night—New House, on Horton avenue, to sale.

—Piano wanted.

—Linen-dy's Favorite Remedy.

—Doctor yourself with Munyon's remedies.

—Borden's condensed milk sold by dealers.

—Watches given away with Mail Pouch.

—Money to loan.

—Ladies' watch for sale cheap.

—Daniel & Moule, eye specialists at North street.

—Fresh shad at Harford & Barton's.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Don't forget "1492" and "A Cold Day" at the Casino.

—The shady side of the street has the tail, to-day.

—The makers of gardens are the busiest people in town, just now.

—Surveys will be made, this week, for an electric railroad between Norwich and Chenango Lake.

—A great many people about town are suffering from that tired feeling, to-day.

—State Superintendent of Public Instruction Skinner has appointed May 4th as Arbor Day.

—Richard Harlow, the original Isabelle, will be in the cast of "1492" at the Casino, to-morrow evening.

—Bessie Borchill will be in the cast of "1492" at the Casino, to-morrow evening.

—A young man from Port Jervis, paid a fine of three dollars for over indulgence in Middletown firewater, this morning.

—"A Cold Day" at the Casino, Friday evening. An exchange says of this play, that "It is a good one," and "one of the very funniest."

—The directors of the Orange County Agricultural Society voted down, Saturday, a motion to increase the price of single admission tickets from twenty-five to fifty cents.

—The publication of the concluding portion of Mr. H. W. Corey's "Middletown a Hundred Years Hence," is necessarily deferred until to-morrow.

—There are very many complaints of the character of the city water. It has a fishy odor and taste and is altogether too rank for so early a date.

—Mr. Fred Saner, a young silk weaver of this city, does one of the best club, lantern, hatchet and wire acts a Middletown audience has ever had the pleasure of witnessing. With Ontario Milestone, Saturday night.

—Remember the masquerade of DeWitt Camp Drum Corps at the Assembly Rooms, Friday evening. Tickets admitting ladies and gentleman 50 cents; extra lady's tickets 25 cents. A large number of tickets have been sold.

—The Orange County Teachers' Council, which met in Newburgh, Saturday, adopted resolutions favoring the introduction of the metric system and asking Congressman Odeil to vote for the bill making its use compulsory.

PERSONAL.

—Mr. William Mlatt, of Suffern, N. Y., was in town to-day.

—Mrs. DeVin Pronk and son, of Yonkers, who have been visiting in this city, returned home to-day.

—Miss Nellie Pearl Lyon has gone to Brooklyn on a two weeks' visit to her friend, Miss Hill.

—Mr. F. B. Ayers, of Middletown, was visiting friends in town, Saturday—Norwich Sun.

—Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Smith, of Durmore, Pa., are visiting at Mr. D. A. Ketcham's, 202 North street.

—James Illiff, formerly in the mercantile business in Port Jervis, died, at his home in Newton, Ia., April 4th, aged sixty-five years.

—Mr. Harry Mitchell, of Jersey City, who has been visiting relatives and friends in this city, returned home, to-day.

—Mrs. J. W. Clason went to New York, to-day, where she will reside for the present with her brother-in-law, Dr. Clason.

—If this weather continues any longer the street sprinkler will be necessary for the comfort of individuals and the protection of goods in stores and the furniture in houses.

—Mr. Geo. Baker was called to Port Jervis, this morning, owing to the illness of his youngest child, who with its mother is visiting relatives at that place.

—Invitations have been issued for the marriage, next Tuesday, of Mr. Sayer Fancher, of the wholesale grocery firm of Fancher & Snyder, and Miss Sarah Olin Nanny, of Warwick. Miss Nanny is sister of Mrs. Snyder, the wife of Mr. Fancher's business associate, and the wedding will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Snyder in Warwick.

—Constipation is a deadly enemy to health; Burdock Blood Bitters is a deadly enemy to constipation.

THE FIREMEN'S PARADE.

The Proposed Appropriation of \$1,400 Will be cheerfully voted by the Tax-payers—No need of irrelevant Comparisons as to the Cost of Fire Protection.

In the consideration of the annual tax budget, the qualified voters will be asked by the several fire companies that they be allowed \$200 each, a sum aggregating \$1,400, to be expended for an annual parade.

There can be no question but that the taxpayers should make this appropriation, in recognition of the splendid record by the city's fire department, a d, moreover, it is historical that Middletown's taxpayers have uniformly been responsive to this.

It was not called for that the *Times* should, as it did, last evening, institute a parallel between the per capita cost of the fire service of this city, and the like cost to the city of New York. Such boasting is not in good taste. The cause is good enough to stand upon its own merits. At all events, if comparisons are to be made, let them be between places in which the volunteer system prevails, and which are relatively of the same grade in population.

Our taxpayers are well aware of the large interests involved in a serviceable fire department, and they are altogether of the opinion that there is no city in the State of its class more favored in this than is their own, whether as to cost or efficiency. Hence it is that when our fire companies ask for an appropriation, it is invariably cheerfully and gladly granted, in recognition of services bestowed, and services yet to be rendered.

There is not, therefore, the slightest occasion for apprehension that the taxpayers will turn down the item of appropriation asked for a fire parade, whatever disposition they may see fit to make of the other several extraordinary items of expenditure asked for by this "hold over" Common Council.

JOHN BULL'S STEALINGS.

Revolvers and Razors still Coming to Light.

The police continue to recover property stolen by John Bull from Hoyt & Galloway's store. Yesterday they secured a revolver and a razor, and to day found at another place a razor and a box of cartridges.

None of these goods were taken by Bull on the night of his last visit before his arrest and it would seem, therefore, that he has made a business of robbing the store and disposing of goods as best he could or if unable to sell to leave with some one to be called for. He had broken a pane of glass in the cellar window so that he could put in his hand and open the catch. How much he has stolen no one yet knows.

The Spring Festival at the First Presbyterian Church.

The ladies having the First Presbyterian Church entertainment in charge announce that the price of admission for Thursday evening will be 50 cents, this includes an elaborate supper. Price without supper 25 cents. The latter price will be charged the second night when no supper will be served.

A Port Jervis Woman Burned.

Mrs. John Kearns, of Port Jervis, was coming down stairs with a lamp, Sunday night, when she fell. The lamp struck the floor with such force that it was broken, the oil took fire and in a moment Mrs. Kearns' clothing took fire.

The flames were soon smothered with a quilt, but not until the woman's lower limbs were badly burned.

A Horse and Wagon Stolen.

A horse, wagon and harness were stolen from the barn of Benjamin Writer, near Otisville, Sunday night.

The thieves were deliberate and selected the best horse in the stable, a light bay roanster and the best sidecar wagon.

Two men, one quite young, were at Mr. Writer's house on Sunday afternoon, asking for something to eat and they are suspected.

Easiest way to kill a chicken is to break the egg before it is hatched. Same is true of consumption. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is a positive cure for coughs and colds. Nothing will cure consumption Does it pay to neglect the cold?

Do not fail to hear Archie Leon French, to-night, at the Y. M. C. A., gymnasium, his exhibition of imitating and ventriloquism is scarcely equalled by any. Admission twenty-five cents.

Twelve hundred tickets were sold for the entertainment given at the Auditorium, last evening, by Archie Leon French—Moline, Ill. Dispatch Come out and have a good laugh.

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HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache, & present laxative. All Druggists

"MADE HER HEART FEEL GOOD."

Effect of Generosity on One Little Middletown Girl.

A fond and indulgent father returned to Middletown from the great metropolis, a few days ago, and, as is his custom, freighted with a parcel of presents for his two youthful daughters. As was most natural, when the parcel was opened, there were choruses of, "Oh, how nice!"

"Oh, how lovely," and "Oh, isn't it a dear papa?" As witness of these demonstrations of delight and affection, there was present a little girl visitor, a fatherless child, whose face beamed with pleasure over the scene.

When she had gone, father said: "I didn't know I would find E—here on my return, but I might have expected it, and it was very thoughtless in me that I did not bring her something from the city."

"Oh, papa, that's just what I was thinking, that there was nothing for E—could I give her something from among my presents? It would make my heart feel so good!"

"Why, of course, you can, my dear; give her what you wish."

In a flash the sympathetic and generous little miss was out of the house with the gift for E—in her hand. But a few moments and she was back, and as she bounded into the room, she exclaimed, "Oh, papa! papa! how good my heart does feel!"

BEAUTIFUL HAND PAINTED CHINA.

A Fine Display at Miss Virginia Thompson's Exhibition and Sale.

The exhibition and sale of hand-painted china by Miss Virginia Thompson, at her home, 95 Academy avenue, attracted many visitors, yesterday afternoon and evening.

—On the evening of Sunday, May 17th, Rev. R. B. Clark will preach his annual sermon to Cataract E. and H. C. The company will attend the service in uniform.

—The first games of the series between the G. S. and A. A. regular bowling team and President Gott's "Unknowns" were rolled on the club alleys, last night. The regulars won two of three games. The bowlers were: Regulars—Howell, Goo Altman, Parker, Landy, Unknowns—Gort, Merritt, Kipp G., Kipp R., Chardavoyne. The next match will be rolled next Monday.

—The lecture by Dr. McGlynn, last night, was unmistakably the best one of the series. The subject was "Politics of the Lord's Prayer."

—While Chas. Dusenberry was cleaning a pair of gloves with gasoline he approached too near the stove. Same old result. His hands are severely burned.

—Mary A. Gardner, an old and respected colored woman, died at her residence in Goshen, yesterday morning, in her seventy fifth year. The funeral will be held at 2 p. m., Wednesday, from the A. U. M. P. Church.

—Two members were elected at the Goshen S. and A. A. meeting, last night.

—Tickets can be obtained of Power & Co. for the production of "The Drummer Boy," under the auspices of Maj. Murray Camp, S. of V. It is a five act drama and each act will be followed by a realistic tableau.

—An adjourned meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the corporation rooms, last night. An agreement was effected between the Board and the Empire State Granite Co. for the delivery of granite at the crusher. The election of chiefs of the fire department was approved. A number of bills were audited.

—The Board of Trustees will meet as a Board of Assessors, next Wednesday, at 7 p. m.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

brought from California for Burial.

The body of Winthrop H. Loomis, who died in San Francisco, arrived in this city, his wife being a niece of Mrs. James N. Pronk and a daughter of the late Nelson Birdsall, of Port Jervis. Rev. David J. Evans conducted the burial services.

Drive out the impurities from your blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla and thus avoid that tired feeling and serious illness.

SPECIAL PRICES,

this week, in

Silks and Dress Goods

at

AN ACQUISITION FOR MIDDLETOWN

Daniels & Moule's Optical Parlor - Come Very Highly Recommended.

Daniels & Moule, expert eye specialists, have fitted up optical parlors in the Wilcox Building, 57 North street, this city, and will open them to-morrow.

These gentlemen have had twenty-five years' experience as eye specialists and for the last two years have had offices in Newburgh and have treated a very large number of patients there with uniformly successful results and have a strong hold on the confidence of the people of that city.

The Newburgh Register, referring to the opening of an office in this city by Messrs. Daniel & Moule says of them:

Both of these gentlemen are proficient in their line and they have adjusted glasses for many persons, who were afflicted with defective vision, which had previously baffled the skill of the leading practitioners. They will continue their business here, and it may safely be said that Middletown people are fortunate in the acquisition of these eminent specialists. Both are thoroughly conversant and practical, and there is no reason why they should not meet with the same success in their new field. Both of these gentlemen are highly respected and honorable business men.

A BOY BADLY HURT.

Earl Patterson Falls from His Bicycle and Is Run Over by a Bus.

Earl Patterson, the sixteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Patterson, of No. 5 Low Block, was quite seriously injured, last evening, by being run over by the Madison House bus, driven by Fred Balmos.

The accident occurred on North street, near the corner of Wickham avenue. Balmos was driving toward the Wickham avenue depot and had just turned out of the way of an electric car as young Patterson came around the corner on his bicycle. The little fellow ran into the curb and fell off his bicycle, and the hind wheel of the heavy bus ran over his leg. Balmos picked him up and carried him to his home, where he was attended by Dr. Hanmer. It is thought that one of the small bones of his leg is broken, and he was badly bruised.

From the statements of eye-witnesses it appears that the accident was unavoidable as far as Mr. Balmos is concerned.

THE WILL OF MRS. SNYDER.

It Cuts Off Her Daughter and Leaves Her Property to a Niece.

The will of Mrs. Frances Snyder, one of the Port Jervis poison victims, was filed for probate, yesterday. It confirms the reports published that she had disinherited her daughter, Mrs. Marion Whittaker, whom she suspected of poisoning her, as the bulk of her property is bequeathed to her niece, Mrs. Samuel Duryea.

Mrs. Whittaker's counsel appeared in her behalf and filed various objections, but the principal one is that undue influence was used by relatives and the beneficiary.

The E. B. Thomas Bought by the Erie.

The E. B. Thomas, the locomotive built by Erie engineers for exhibition at the World's Fair, has been sold to the Erie. The price is \$9,000, to be paid in monthly installments of \$1,000.

The engine has been put in active service, drawing train 29 to Port Jervis, last night, and the Mountain Express to Jersey City, this morning.

Five Generations Under One Roof.

From our Amity Correspondent.

Quite an unusual event occurred at the home of Hon. J. E. Waterbury, last week, it being a gathering of five generations. Mrs. Hannah Wilcox, aged 93 years, 11 months; her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Waterbury; her granddaughter, Mrs. Ida Colwell; her great-grandson, Mr. Harry E. Colwell; her great-great-grandson, Robert C. Colwell, aged three months.

Killed by a Fall.

Charles T. Clark, a Newburgh carpenter, was killed at 5 o'clock, Saturday evening, by falling from the second story of a building, while attempting to pass from a scaffold through a window.

When Traveling

Whether on pleasure bent, or business, take on every trip a bottle of Syrup of Figs, as it acts most pleasantly and effectually on the kidneys, liver, and bowels, preventing fevers, headaches, and other forms of sickness. For sale in 50 cent and \$1 bottles by all leading druggists. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Company only.

Dr. Thomas' Oil has cured hundreds of cases of deafness that were supposed to be incurable. It never fails to cure earache.

GAIL BORDEN EAGLE Brand

CONDENSED MILK.

Has No Equal

SOLD EVERYWHERE

COLUMBIA PARK PLEASURE GROUNDS

Plans for Extensive Improvements That Will Make it a Fine Place to Commence and will be Pushed Forward Rapidly.

Ground was broken, yesterday, for the main building at the Columbia Park Pleasure Grounds and we are informed that other contemplated improvements will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible and the managers hope to have the park ready for business by June 1st.

The main building will front on Lake avenue, opposite the Traction Co.'s new iron bridge, over which cars pass to the State Hospital.

The plans were drawn by J. E. Mapes and Sinsabaugh & Co. have the contract for the erection of the building which will be 74 feet square, two stories high with an ornamental tower surmounted by a handsome flag staff. The structure will be an imposing one.

On the first floor will be the office and waiting rooms for those waiting for cars, in which there will be lunch and variety counters. This room will occupy a space of 20x62 feet; there will be a kitchen and a restaurant, the latter to be 27x41. The western end will be fitted up as first class bowling alleys. On the west and north sides will be verandas 12 feet wide for the accommodation of visitors.

The second floor will be reached by three broad stairways, landing on a balcony 12 feet wide which will extend on all sides of the building making a promenade 300 feet long. The promenade is enclosed in glass and may be thrown open at pleasure. Inside the promenade will be a music hall 50 feet square, in which there will not be a post or other obstruction. The windows of the hall will be movable.

Other improvements now planned will be an observation tower 100 feet high; a rustic pavilion 50 feet square with numerous rustic arbors and swings and other means of amusement, including an oval bicycle track one-sixth of a mile long. There will be flower gardens, ornamental shrubs and plants, besides other probable improvements which the owners are not now ready to give out.

No intoxicating liquors will be sold on the grounds and the best of order will be observed at all times. Special attractions will be offered to Sunday Schools, lodges and societies. A small gate fee will be charged.

AT POPULAR PRICES.

Rachelle Renard at the Casino all Next Week.

Miss Rachelle Renard, supported by her own company of players, will appear at the Casino all next week, presenting a repertoire of popular, old time successes. The star is highly spoken of by press and public, and is said to be particularly happy in strong and emotional roles. "Iromer, the Barbarian," will be the opening play, followed by a grand revival of "East Lynne," "Too much Mother-in-Law," "Mavoursen," "Mazepa," "In the Web," and others.

The prices are but 10, 20 and 30 cents.

A Interesting Publication.

The J. C. Ayer Co. has published an interesting little book entitled "Ayer's Cure Book," in which are printed personal letters and trustworthy testimonials from well known people in all parts of the country who certify to having been cured of ills and ailments of various kinds by the use of Ayer's popular remedies. The book is illustrated with well executed pictures of the authors of some of the testimonials.

In the Erie Under Vanderbilt Control?

It is believed in railroad circles that the Vanderbilts are now in control of the Erie and that one object had in view in leasing the Greenwood Lake and Watchung roads is the extension of the latter to Bound Brook where a connection can be made with the Philadelphia and Reading and a route to Philadelphia secured.

A Bad Time and Place to Split Beer.

A careless customer, who dropped a bottle of beer as he was leaving a Newburgh hotel, Sunday, has got a too accommodating landlord in trouble. The breaking of the bottle and the spilling of the beer was seen by half a dozen persons who will be summoned to testify to the incident.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure Deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

F. J. CHERRY & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by all druggists, 50 cents.

A MIDDLEOWNER ROBBED IN NEW YORK.

An Italian Stone Cutter Returning to Italy Loses His Savings.

Vitale Casciano, a stonemason of Middletown, says the New York Herald, went to New York to return to his native Italy, having \$400 in his possession.

Before going on board the ship, he fell in with John Mercurio, a fellow countryman, who is known to the Metropolitan police as a confidence man. He and three other Italians, who claimed to be going to Italy, told him they had \$10,000 in a satchel, and induced him to put his \$400 in also, and take charge of the satchel until they should return. Later when his fellow countrymen did not return, Casciano opened the satchel only to find it filled with paper.

Mercurio was arrested, yesterday, and held in the hope that the other swindlers could also be found.

AMITY.

An Easter Morning Gift—Vacation for the School Children—Change in Time of Sunday Services—Numerous Personal Items.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

Rev. R. H. Craig spent a couple of days in Hawley, last week.

Mrs. Ira Roberts, of Johnson, spent last week with her parents, Hon. and Mrs. J. E. Waterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rhodes were the recipients of a young daughter on Easter morn.

Mrs. Frances Jessup, of Illinois, is visiting relatives here.

The public school in this village was closed, last week, Miss Kate Clute being in attendance at the teachers' institute at Middletown.

Mr. L. G. Trusdell and family were in Newburgh, last week.

Quite a number in this vicinity are affected with the grip.

The time for Sunday and Wednesday evening services has been changed from 7 o'clock to 7:30.

Mr. Charles Walling spent a portion of last week in New York.

Miss Elizabeth Faagles is visiting relatives at Glenwood.

Miss Anna Terry, of New Paltz, spent the Easter vacation with relatives in this place.

Mr. Frank Roy is spending the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Linn Roy.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Sly, who have been under the doctor's care, are able to be out again.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilcox have been visiting in New York.

WAWAYANDA.

Early Planting—Hay Getting Scarce—many Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

Wm. Kirby, one of our up-to-date farmers, planted two acres of potatoes, Saturday.

But few farmers have enough hay to carry them through to grass. With hay at \$18 a ton and milk at 2% cents a quart it is no wonder so many have sold out this winter and spring.

Anyone wanting a good shepherd dog would well do to apply to Wm. M. Divers, near Kirby school house.

Mrs. Maggie House is visiting at "Zone" Wilson's, at Big Island.

Dewitt Thompson, of Johnson has been through this vicinity buying barn timber.

James Gates planted Lima beans, last week.

George House is thinking of building a house in the near future.

Wm. Cole spent two days at Hawley, attending the funeral of his cousin.

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